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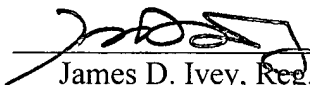
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants bring the following documents to the Examiner's attention in the referenced application.

1. U.S. Patent Number 5,715,314 to Payne et al.
2. U.S. Patent Number 5,809,144 to Sirbu et al.
3. U.S. Patent Number 5,724,424 to Gifford.
4. European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 843 449 A2.
5. French Patent Application Publication No. 2 733 068.

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If the Examiner has any questions or comments with respect to the present application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned at (510) 336-1100.

Respectfully submitted,



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